

3388, as amended, Petersburg National Battlefield Boundary Modification Act..

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Ordered reported the following bills: The Committee began consideration of H.R. 2517, as amended, Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act of 2009; H.R. 3892, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 West Highway 64 Bypass in Roper, North Carolina, as the “E.C. Wilkins Post Office;” H.R. 3951, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Louisiana Avenue in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the “Roy Rondeno, Sr., Post Office Building;” and H.R. 4017, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 43 Maple Avenue in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, as the “Ann Marie Blute Post Office.”

### INCREASED AUTONOMY FOR D.C.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held a hearing entitled “Greater Autonomy for the Nation’s Capital,” with discussion of the following bills: H.R. 960, District of Columbia Legislative Autonomy Act of 2009; and H.R. 1045, District of Columbia Budget Autonomy Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Adrian M. Fenty, Mayor; Vincent Gray, Chairman, City Council; and Natwar Gandhi, Chief Financial Officer; Alice M. Rivlin, former Chairman, CBO; and a public witness.

### CYBERSECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2009

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 4061, Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2009.

### PROPOSALS—WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2010

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Representatives Whitfield, Boustany, Melancon, Klein of Florida, Loeb sack, Scalise and Kosmas.

### VETERANS APPEALS IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2009

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs approved for full Committee action the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2009.

### BRIEFING—GUANTANAMO UPDATE

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Guantanamo Update. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Clifford L. Stanley, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, and Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force, both of the Department of Defense, and Lawrence G. Romo, of Texas, to be Director of the Selective Service, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider an original bill entitled “Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2009”, 10 a.m., SR-325.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider S. 592, to implement the recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission report to the Congress regarding low-power FM service, S. 850, to amend the High Seas Driftnet Fishing Moratorium Protection Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to improve the conservation of sharks, S. 1224, to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, S. 2764, to reauthorize the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, and S. 2768, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2010 through 2014, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine environmental stewardship policies related to offshore energy production, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, Alberto M. Fernandez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Mary Jo Wills, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, and Philip S. Goldberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Research, all of the Department of State, 3:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine nominations for Commissioner

and for General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Daniel I. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Fort Hood Attack, focusing on a preliminary assessment, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Alan C. Kessler, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine drug smuggling and gang activity in Indian country, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 448, to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 714, to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1147, to prevent tobacco smuggling, to ensure the collection of all tobacco taxes, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 1353, to amend title 1 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1986 to include nonprofit and volunteer ground and air ambulance crew members and first responders for certain benefits, S. 678, to reauthorize and improve the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, and the nominations of Jane Branstetter Stranch, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Thomas I. Vanaskie, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Christina Reiss, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont, Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, Abdul K. Kallon, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Victoria Angelica Espinel, of the District of Columbia, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, and Benjamin B. Tucker, of New York, to be Deputy Director for State, Local, and Tribal Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign Agriculture, to review rural broadband programs funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 11 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on Confronting the Cartels: Addressing U.S.-Mexican Border Security, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, hearing on Improving the Literacy Skills of Children and Young Adults, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 515, as amended, Radioactive Import Deterrence Act; and H.R.1084, as amended, Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation Act, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, joint hearing on Exploring the Offline and Online Collection and Use of Consumer Information, 12 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* to continue consideration of the Committee Print of the Financial Stability Improvement Act of 2009, 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* hearing on Is it Time to Lift the Ban on Travel to Cuba? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on the State of Political and Religious Freedom in the Middle East, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment hearing entitled "Reassessing the Evolving al-Qa'ida Threat to the Homeland," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on Transparency and Integrity in Corporate Monitoring, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* hearing entitled "Tracking the Money: How Recovery Act Recipients Account for the Use of Stimulus Dollars," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "Afghan Elections: What Happened and Where Do We Go From Here?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology,* Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on the Growth of Global Space Capabilities: What's Happening and Why It Matters, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on the Research and Development Portfolio to Support the Priorities of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2325 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business,* hearing entitled "Oversight of the Small Business Administration and its Programs," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* to mark up H.R. 4016, Hazardous Material Transportation Safety Act of 2009, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Adaptive Housing Grants, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Oversight, and the Subcommittee on Income Security and

Family Support, joint hearing to review the effect of the economic downturn and increased unemployment on the demand for hunger-relief assistance at food banks and other charities, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on Clearing the Disability Claims Backlogs: The Social Security Administration's Progress and New Challenges Arising From the Recession, 1:30 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Afghanistan/Pakistan, 10:30 a.m., 304 HVC.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine financial regulatory reform, focusing on protecting taxpayers and the economy, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon Building.